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- ☒ Transmitted herewith are the following documents for the above-referenced application:
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment w/substitute Specification as Exhibit A, and a markup version of an amended specification paragraph as Exhibit B, and;
- ☒ Return postcard.

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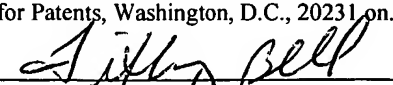

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Before examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the originally filed specification with the attached substitute specification which now includes line numbering and an amended paragraph. The substitute specification is attached as Exhibit A. A markup of the specification showing the amendment relative to the previous version is attached as Exhibit B.

On page 5, line 19, the paragraph should read as follows:

--A preferred embodiment of the circuitry for the router 18 is described in U.S. patent application Ser. No. 07/370,248, entitled ROUTING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR HIGH-SPEED MESH CONNECTED LOCAL AREA NETWORK, which is incorporated herein by reference.--

REMARKS

The amendment to the specification embodies merely matters of form and does not introduce new matter.

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Respectfully submitted,

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